

## STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

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## Attention Needed Plating and Polishing Notification of Compliance Status Due – July 1, 2010 To Comply with New Environmental Rule

Dear Plating and Polishing Facility owner:

This letter is to inform you of the need to submit a Notification of Compliance Status (NoCS) for the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Plating and Polishing Operations (rule 6W). You previously submitted an Initial Notification letting the State know that the Plating and Polishing rule applies to your facility. We wanted to remind you of the need to submit a NoCS. A NoCS is a follow up to the Initial Notification and a statement that the facility is now in compliance with the requirements by the stated deadline. The NoCS should include a description of the methods used to achieve compliance. If your facility has already submitted a NoCS, please disregard this letter. Failure to submit required information could result in a non compliance determination and possible penalties.

Existing facilities have until **July 1, 2010** to comply with the rule's operating requirements. An existing facility is one that was constructed on or before March 14, 2008. New affected sources (commenced construction/reconstruction after March 14, 2008) must comply with the rule, and submit both an Initial Notification and a NoCS upon startup. The NoCS must contain facility ownership and operation information. A sample NoCS is provided for your convenience. You are not required to use this sample and may choose your own format to submit information required by the rule. A brochure is also enclosed that summarizes the rule's requirements. You must notify the State Air Pollution Control Agency and the Environmental Protection Agency at the addresses listed at the bottom of the sample NoCS. **If your facility is in Davidson, Hamilton, Knox, or Shelby counties, please contact your local air pollution control program for the necessary response to this environmental rule.** 

If your facility is no longer engaged in any of the processes listed in Section 2 of the enclosed Sample Notification of Compliance Status, or no longer uses cadmium, chromium, lead, manganese, or nickel in the concentrations noted, this rule no longer applies to your facility.

There is help available with understanding this air pollution regulation. The Tennessee Small Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP) offers free, confidential technical assistance with environmental questions. Donovan Grimwood is the SBEAP contact for Plating and Polishing Operations. He can be reached toll free at **1-800-734-3619** (615-532-4966 in Nashville) or through email at <a href="mailto:BGSBEAP@tn.gov">BGSBEAP@tn.gov</a>. Also, feel free to visit the Program's web page at <a href="mailto:www.tn.gov/environment/small-business/">www.tn.gov/environment/small-business/</a>.

Sincerely,

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